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**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS & ELEC. MAIL**

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary of the Department  
Department of Telecommunications & Energy  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
One South Station, Second Floor  
Boston, MA 02110

**Re: DTE 06-56; Joint Stipulation and Motion to Extend Proceeding**

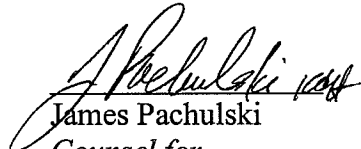
Dear Secretary Cottrell:

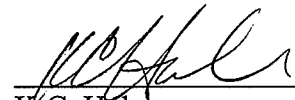
By this letter the undersigned counsel for the parties in DTE Docket 06-56, Charter Fiberlink MA-CCO, LLC ("Charter") and Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts ("Verizon"), hereby request that the Department modify the procedural schedule and reschedule the hearing date to September 19, 2006.

Further, the Parties consent to an extension of the schedule in this proceeding such that "Day 1" of the Parties' negotiations shall be deemed to be February 4, 2006, and "Day 270" shall be deemed to be November 1, 2006. As such, the Parties agree and acknowledge that the Department Order in this proceeding may be issued on, or before, November 1, 2006.

Please contact the undersigned counsel for Charter or Verizon if you have any questions about this matter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
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DTE 06-56 Service List